

**WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:**

1. A trailer hitch cover assembly for a hitch receiver comprising:

5 a main body operatively connected to a hitch tube and adapted to allow insertion of a hitch into the hitch tube; an insulating member disposed within between said main body and the hitch tube; and a cover plate hingedly connected to said main body  
10 and being movable between a closed position and an open position.

2. A trailer hitch cover assembly as set forth in claim 1 wherein said main body includes at least one  
15 deflectable tab to retain said main body on the hitch tube.

3. A trailer hitch cover assembly as set forth in claim 1 wherein said main body further comprises at least one aperture extending therethrough adapted to allow passage of a  
20 lock pin.

4. A trailer hitch cover assembly as set forth in claim 1 wherein said main body further comprises a front face having an opening adapted to allow passage of the hitch into

an open end of the hitch tube.

5        5.    A trailer hitch cover assembly as set forth in  
claim 1 wherein said main body further comprises at least one  
first hinge knuckle.

10       6.    A trailer hitch cover assembly as set forth in  
claim 5 wherein said cover plate further comprises at least  
one second hinge knuckle.

15       7.    A trailer hitch cover assembly as set forth in  
claim 6 including a hinge pin extending through said first  
hinge knuckle and said second hinge knuckle to allow said  
cover plate to rotate about said hinge pin between said closed  
position and said open position.

20       8.    A trailer hitch cover assembly as set forth in  
claim 1 wherein said main body includes a plurality of  
apertures extending therethrough.

9.    A trailer hitch cover assembly as set forth in  
claim 8 wherein said insulating member includes a plurality of  
pins extending outwardly and through said apertures in said  
main body to connect said insulating member to said main body.

10. A trailer hitch cover assembly as set forth in claim 1 wherein said insulating member further comprises a front face having an opening adapted to allow passage of the  
5 hitch into the open end of the hitch tube.

11. A trailer hitch cover assembly as set forth in claim 1 wherein said cover plate has a rear face and a plurality of raised elements on said rear face.  
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12. A trailer hitch cover assembly for a motor vehicle comprising:

a main body for connection to a hitch tube and having a front face with an opening adapted to allow passage  
15 of a hitch into an open end of the hitch tube;

an insulating member disposed within and operatively connected to said main body; and

a movable cover plate hingedly connected to said main body to be moved between a first position and a second  
20 position.

13. A trailer hitch cover assembly as set forth in claim 12 wherein said main body includes opposed side walls

extending from said front face with at least one deflectable tab to retain said main body on the hitch tube.

14. A trailer hitch cover assembly as set forth in  
5 claim 13 wherein each of said sidewalls include at least one aperture extending therethrough adapted to allow passage of a lock pin.

15. A trailer hitch cover assembly as set forth in  
10 claim 12 wherein said main body further comprises at least one first hinge knuckle.

16. A trailer hitch cover assembly as set forth in  
claim 15 wherein said cover plate further comprises at least  
15 one second hinge knuckle.

17. A trailer hitch cover assembly as set forth in  
claim 16 including a hinge pin extending through said first  
hinge knuckle and said second hinge knuckle to allow said  
20 cover plate to rotate about said hinge pin between said first position and said second position.

18. A trailer hitch cover assembly as set forth in  
claim 13 wherein said main body includes a plurality of

apertures extending through said sidewalls.

19. A trailer hitch cover assembly as set forth in claim 18 wherein said insulating member includes a plurality of pins extending outwardly and through said apertures to connect said insulating member to said main body.

20. A trailer hitch cover assembly for a motor vehicle comprising:

10 a hitch tube having a first opening adapted to receive a hitch;

a main body connected to said hitch tube and having a front face with a second opening to allow passage of the hitch into said first opening and in said hitch tube;

15 an insulating member disposed within and operatively connected to said main body; and

a movable cover plate hingedly connected to said main body to be moved between a first position to close said first opening and a second position to open said first opening.